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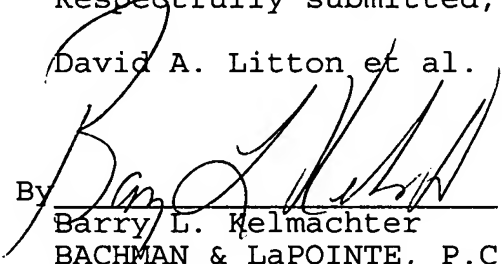
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Each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement being submitted concurrently herewith was first cited in a search report from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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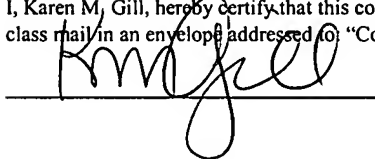
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Sir:

In accordance Applicant's continued duty of disclosure, the following documents are brought to the Examiner's attention:

International Application No. PCT/US00/21788

D. Zhu, N.P. Bansal, R.A. Miller: "Thermal Conductivity and Stability of $\text{HfO}_2\text{-Y}_2\text{O}_3\text{La}_2\text{Zr}_2\text{O}_7$ Evaluated for 1650°C Thermal/Environmental Barrier Coating Applications" NASA/TM 2003-212544, November 2003

A listing on Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B is enclosed along with a copy of the non-U.S. documents.

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The undersigned submits the above-identified references for independent consideration by the Examiner and does not make any admission that these references are or are not material to the present invention or that these references are or are not prior art with respect to the present invention.

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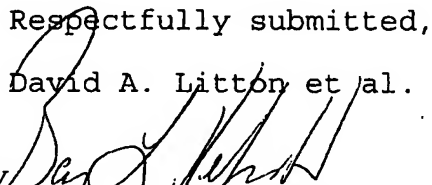
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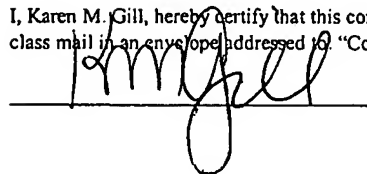
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